

**Lemon Fair Insect Control District  
Bridport, VT  
January 5, 2016**

**Minutes**

**1. Call to order: 5:05**

Present: David Dodge, Lew Castle, Chris Chapline, Chuck Burkins, Craig Zondag, Melissa Lourie

**2. Approve November and December minutes:**

The November and December minutes are approved.

**3. Treasurer's report:**

Cash forward: \$55,281.95

Cash rec'd: \$0.13

Total cash for month: \$55,282.08

Total Disbursements: \$2,294.48

Cash on hand: \$52,987.60

Accounts payable: \$0

Accounts receivable: \$15,093.84

Net current assets: \$68,081.44

The December and January Treasurer's reports are approved.

**4. 2016 Goals and tasks**

Meg has expressed interest in getting her pesticide license and Craig has called the VAA in order to obtain the study materials for the Pesticide Applicators test.

Since having enough acreage to justify air treatment will be an ongoing problem, we need to look at ground treatment strategies. Craig will call the Adapco salesperson to get information on their large Bti briquettes, which sink rather than float and last 30 days.

Adult mosquito record keeping: The trap data from last season still needs to be pulled together; Meg has Judd's data and Craig and Meg will finish the 2015 adult trap database. Once the spreadsheet is complete, Craig will meet with Alan Graham to discuss the data and make the argument for more aggressive larval treatments based on adult numbers from last season.

Lew has spoken with Rebecca Air and they are not interested in applying the larvicide for us this season—the patchwork of treatable areas are not worth their while. JBI is the apparently our only option for aerial treatments.

What should we do with data (complaints of adult mosquitoes) from the outreach hotline? Should we continue to maintain and advertise the outreach hotline? It has been helpful to know where there are problems, but hard to make correlations between the adult problems and larva pockets. Craig has visited some of the people who have called the hotline and walked their properties to help them assess what

can be done to help particular problem areas. We should continue soliciting resident's complaints, but make it clear that we do not treat adult mosquitoes.

Staffing: do we need to hire more field techs?

We need enough field staff to maintain 2 light traps/town/week; dip for larva, treat by ground (briquettes or hand treatments), timely data entry. Craig Zondag and Meg Madden are both back for the 2016 season; Judd does not want to be a regular employee, but he might be able to help when he is available. We could use at least one more field tech.

Formulate an adult mosquito trap sampling protocol (with Alan Graham): what sites for the traps? How often should we make a collection from each trap?

#### **5. Bridport Select Board meeting report**

Bridport has approved the two changes to the Formation Agreement (#of board members per town and financial review change to 2 years) and the approval has been documented in their minutes.

Cornwall will take up the changes at tonight's Select Board meeting.

#### **6. Adjourn: 6:50**

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 2, 2016 5:00

Cornwall Town Office

Respectfully submitted by Christine Chapline